

MINUTES

City of Carrollton Mayor and Council Meeting

March 3, 2014

6:00 p.m.

**Public Safety Complex, Court/Council Chambers, 115 West Center Street,
Carrollton, Georgia**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor and Council met in regular session on Monday, March 3, 2014 in the Public Safety Annex Building, 115 West Center Street, Carrollton, Georgia. Mayor Pro-Tem Maierhofer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Mayor Pro-Tem Mandy Maierhofer, Councilmember Mike Patterson, and Councilmember Jim Watters. Members absent: Mayor Wayne Garner and Councilmember Gerald Byrd. A quorum of the Council was present.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Garner.

III. INVOCATION

Finance Director Jim Triplett offered the invocation.

IV. MINUTES (February 3, 2014)

Motion by Councilmember Patterson, seconded by Councilmember Watters to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2014 meeting. (Motion passed 3-0, Mayor Garner and Councilmember Byrd absent).

V. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were none.

VI. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. Proclamation: Miss Lilianna McKinley (2013 National Karate League, 7/8 year old Form & Fighting Champion)

A Proclamation of Congratulations was read and presented to Miss Lilianna McKinley for winning the 2013 National Karate League 7 & 8 year old Form & Fighting Championship.

2. Proclamation: Robert Young (2013 Karate League Coach of the Year)

A Proclamation of Congratulations was read and presented to Robert Young for recently being named the 2013 National Karate League Coach of the Year.

3. Proposed Stallings Building Lease

City Manager Coleman advised that after purchasing the "Stallings Building" at 201 Newnan Street, it was discovered that the condition of the building was not as bad as previously believed and the general consensus was not to demolish the structure. City Manager Coleman noted that he had been approached by the principals of a new company expressing a desire to lease the building for a five (5) year term. City Manager Coleman stated that the company, (GreenCourt Legal Technologies, LLC), is a new business that will be dealing in computer software involving legal/court systems. The principle owners (guarantors) of this LLC are local businessmen and attorneys (T.E. Green, J. Tommy Vance and William Esslinger – jointly). City Manager Coleman advised that City Attorney Chuck Conerly had prepared a lease agreement between the City of Carrollton and GreenCourt Legal Technologies, LLC which contains the following:

The Company agrees to pay the City \$2,500.00 per month lease payment for the initial twenty-four (24) months of the contract.

- The Company agrees to pay the City \$4,000.00 per month lease payment for the remaining thirty-six (36) months of the contract.
- The Company agrees to do all maintenance to the structure, at their expense, with no expense to the City.
- The Company agrees to pay, at its expense, liability/accident insurance issued to the amount specified in the lease.
- The Company must seek and get approval from the City for any alterations to the structure and/or property.
- The City agrees to continue to insure the structure at its expense.

City Manager Coleman advised that he and Mayor Garner have met with Mr. Green, Mr. Vance and Mr. Esslinger on several occasions regarding this matter and noted that they are very excited at the possibility of this business locating downtown. They have expressed intent to bring several new jobs to the area initially, with more to come as the business grows. City Manager Coleman advised that it is his recommendation and request that the Mayor and Council grant approval for the City Manager to execute similar lease with the GreenCourt Technologies, LLC. **Motion by Councilmember Patterson, seconded by Councilmember Watters to authorize the City Manager to lease the building under the terms generally described. (Motion passed 3-0, Mayor Garner and Councilmember Byrd absent).**

4. Sony Stormwater Retention Pond and Access Roadway

Assistant City Manager Tim Grizzard advised that Southwire has acquired the old Sony industrial complex on Columbia Drive. Included with this purchase is a stormwater pond on the Southeast corner of the property. It further includes recorded rights for utility easements and an access road from Beulah Church Road to Decoma Drive.

Southwire has agreed to donate the stormwater pond to the City of Carrollton. City Engineering would like to take possession of this pond because it affects the stormwater detention of the whole area and is not exclusive to the Sony site. This affords us the opportunity to work with other industries and developments to limit the need for multiple stormwater ponds.

Southwire has further agreed to relinquish their rights to the above referenced roadway. This means that should the City decide to close this road, Southwire will not oppose the effort and will have no legal right to stop the closure. **Motion by Councilmember Patterson, seconded by Councilmember Maierhofer to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a deal to accept the stormwater pond from Southwire as presented (Motion passed 3-0, Mayor Garner and Councilmember Byrd absent).**

VII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

VIII. CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Coleman advised that during the recent storm the City was very well prepared. City Manager Coleman stated that approximately \$200,000 was spent for generators, police and fire overtime, and other miscellaneous expenses, which if declared a disaster, will hopefully be reimbursable through GEMA and FEMA grants. City Manager Coleman also advised that the City is about to obtain a new generator at no cost.

IX. ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Pro-Tem Maierhofer adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.